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Entitled INCREASED PEROXIDE CONTENT TOOTH BLEACHING GEL

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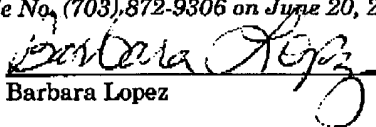
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Applicant : Michael A. Pellico
Application No. : 10/045,184
Filed : October 18, 2001
Title : INCREASED PEROXIDE CONTENT TOOTH BLEACHING GEL

Grp./Div. : 1614
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Docket No. : 45191/WPC/D279

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Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	16	*16	0	x \$9.00	x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	1	** 3	0	x \$42.00	x \$84.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$140.00	\$280.00	0
TOTAL FILING FEE						0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					0
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1						
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Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.

A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.

**Amendment Transmittal Letter
Application No. 10/045,184**


Other enclosures:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Election of Species Requirement of February 19, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elect the species corresponding to a two-component dental bleaching system with bases to increase pH without traverse.

The claims readable on the elected species include claims 1-16.

The following categories of sub species are elected: hydroxypropyl cellulose as the gelling agent and potassium hydroxide as the base.

Appln No. 10/045,184

Amdt date March 2, 2004

Reply to Office action of February 19, 2004

Should the Examiner finds it necessary to speak with Applicant's attorney, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number identified below.

Respectfully submitted,

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